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ADD/A [REDACTED]

16 January 1953

1. Bob Amory telephoned objecting to a paper which had been submitted to him by O&M proposing the reorganization of ORR. I asked him to send it to me and assured him that we had absolutely no intention of making any reorganization of ORR with which he disagreed and that any study which Mr. Peel had submitted was certainly intended to be helpful. I will look into this and have a talk with Mr. Peel about it.

2. Shef Edwards called to say that he was meeting with other representatives of the Government concerning a certain "gadget" in which the Director was interested. With proper permission, this "gadget" has been discussed with TSS on a very limited scale. Shef anticipates that CIA might be asked to procure for the Government seventy to one hundred sets of a "counter gadget." This might cost as much as \$200,000 which would be reimbursable, except for sets purchased for CIA. I told him not to make a final commitment but that he was authorized to agree to this arrangement in principle.

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3. Discussed certain administrative project plans with [REDACTED] and gave him one to rewrite. While these plans are getting started very well, I think that the staff has considerable tightening up to do in writing them and want to discuss the whole thing again at the Administrative Staff Meeting on Monday.

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4. Had luncheon with [REDACTED] who informed me that he had had a long discussion with [REDACTED]. He stated that while [REDACTED] did not wish to recommend that the bar at the [REDACTED] be closed it had been closed.

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I told Bob that we concurred in his memorandum in which he pointed out that it was not feasible to move all of our activities from [REDACTED] or vice versa.

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Informed Bob that [REDACTED] had indicated that he thought a "hot" fence around the communications tower would be adequate protection and instructed him to pursue this vigorously, stating that if this arrangement could be worked out to [REDACTED] satisfaction we should eliminate the guard post at that area and cut three more guards from his T/O. Also told him that he could have people on his T/O at this time but that I expected him to cut this figure to [REDACTED] within the near future.

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5. I talked to Shef Edwards about seeing Mr. Boyer of the Atomic Energy Commission concerning his query to us about the use of the polygraph. Shef agrees with our approach and is sure that he can handle the matter without it becoming necessary to make a written reply.

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6. With [REDACTED] I inspected Curry Hall and the adjacent Administration Building (totaling about 66,000 square feet) which has just been assigned to us by the Public Buildings Service. These buildings will certainly be a great relief to our space problem. I have told [REDACTED] to proceed immediately to prepare plans for the use of this space but not to tell anybody that we have it until we are prepared to tell people how we will use it. The space is in good condition and I believe that we should insist that our offices move into it as is with alterations made only where absolutely essential for efficient operations. If we alter it to suit their tastes it will not only cost a lot of money but it will be six months before we can get into it. H

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7. Participated with Mr. Wolf and Mr. Garrison in a discussion of the Procurement and Supply Office T/O. It was agreed that Mr. Garrison could have a T/O of [REDACTED], and that we would re-examine his situation on or about 30 June. H